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Applicant(s): OFEK, et al. CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 **CFR 1.8** For: MULTI-TERABIT SONET SWITCHING WITH COMMON TIME REFERENCE I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile Serial Number: 09/960,532 transmitted to: 571-273-8300 at the United States Patent and Filed: 09/21/2001 Trademark Office on April 26, **2006.** Examiner: ROBERTS, Brian S. Art Unit: 2662 Attorney Docket: **SYN 1778**

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AMENDMENT B

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Applicants hereby submit this Amendment B, responsive to Final Office Action—Date Mailed: January 26, 2006, Paper No. 2; for which a response is due [3] three months from the date of mailing of the Office Action: April 26, 2006.

Claims 1, 3, 5-21, 23, 37 and 40-45 are currently pending in the application. Claims 2, 4, 22, 24-36, 38 and 39 were previously canceled. Claims 1, 3, 5-21, 23, 37 and 40-45 are rejected. Claims 37 and 40-45 are objected to. Claims 1, 3 and 37 are hereby currently amended. Claims 5, 13, 17, 21, 40 and 41 were previously presented. Claims 6-12, 14-16, 18-20, 23 and 42-45 are original. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

The Director has been previously authorized to charge any additional fees and credit any overpayments during the pendency of this application to Sitrick & Sitrick's Deposit Account Number: 501166. No additional fees are due.